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SUBSTITUTE CLAIMS:



2. An insect and rodent trap comprising: a tray for holding an adhesive and/or insect or rodent bait, said tray having a contiguous side wall, a portion of said side wall having a protuberance depending upwardly from said wall, so that when said trap is inverted, said protuberance rests on a preselected surface and creates a space between said surface and said adhesive which allows an insect or rodent to reach said adhesive (and/or bait) provided in said tray.

3. The trap of CLAIM 2, wherein said tray is rectangular in shape.

4. The trap of CLAIM 2, wherein said contiguous side wall has a contiguous overhanging lip.

5. The trap of CLAIM 4, wherein the one lip portion corresponding to said one of said side walls has said protuberance depending upwardly therefrom.

6. The trap of CLAIM 5, wherein said protuberance is provided at the midpoint of said one lip portion.

7. The trap of CLAIM 2, wherein said adhesive is glue.

8. An insect and rodent trap comprising: a tray for holding an adhesive and/or insect or rodent bait, said tray having contiguous side walls which have a contiguous overhanging lip, one of said side walls and its corresponding lip portion having a protuberance depending upwardly from said lip portion, so that when

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said trap is inverted, said protuberance rests on a preselected surface and creates a space between said surface and said adhesive which allows an insect or rodent to reach said adhesive (and/or bait) provided in said tray.

9. The trap of CLAIM 8, wherein said protuberance is provided at the midpoint of said one lip portion.

10. The trap of CLAIM 8, wherein said adhesive is glue.

11. A method of trapping insects or rodents comprising:

(a) providing a trap having a tray having side walls with a depth sufficient to hold an adhesive and/or insect bait;

(b) providing said side walls with a contiguous overhanging lip, one of said side walls and its corresponding lip portion having near its midpoint a protuberance depending upwardly from said lip portion; and,

(c) inverting said trap so its adhesive side is facing downwardly and placing said trap on a preselected insect or rodent infested surface, whereby said protuberance rests on said surface and creates a space between said surface and said adhesive which allows an insect or rodent to reach said adhesive (and/or bait) provided in said tray.